

2015 Comprehensive Annual Report on Public Diplomacy and International Broadcasting

Focus on Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Data

Western Hemisphere Region

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FIELD-DIRECTED ACTIVITIES



U.S. Public Diplomacy in the Western Hemisphere Region

U.S. Public Diplomacy in Western Hemisphere

While U.S. public diplomacy in the region varies by country, programs support the larger foreign policy goals of promoting democracy and security, advancing inclusive prosperity, youth education, energy security, and freedom of expression. More than 56 percent of the region has access to the Internet, with a large disparity between North and South America. In South America, democratic and media freedoms remain uneven, according to Freedom House, which characterizes 15 countries as "free," and notes that Cuba, Mexico, Venezuela, Honduras, Ecuador, and Paraguay are "not free."

Challenges to U.S. public diplomacy in the Western Hemisphere include negative perceptions about the United States due to past policies pursued in the region such as the U.S. drug policy; uncertainty about immigration policy; and actively anti-American elements in the region like the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America (ALBA).

The Office of Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs in the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs provides guidance and support to PD officers in the field. There are American and locally engaged staffs at U.S. embassies and consulates in 28 countries in the Western Hemisphere, including the newly established U.S. embassy in Havana, Cuba. In countries where U.S. bilateral relations are difficult, public diplomacy constitutes a significant focus of the U.S. mission. The Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs budget for public diplomacy (including both programs and staff) and the allocation of ECA and IIP resources has diminished in recent years as the State Department has shifted resources to other regions viewed as more strategically important or critical to national security.

U.S. FOREIGN POLICY GOALS

While each embassy has a strategic plan that outlines the goals for bilateral relations, the United States' top foreign policy goals for the region include: promoting democracy, security, and peace in the Americas; advancing prosperity and socially inclusive economic growth; educating youth and developing workforces; harnessing the energy resources of the region while fighting climate change; and promoting a public opinion environment that is supportive of U.S. policy initiatives.

Through a whole-of-government approach, the United States is focusing on building capacity in institutions and individuals while encouraging economic development for those most at risk. The U.S. approach to citizen security in the hemisphere emphasizes community-based approaches and partnerships to address shared challenges like transnational organized crime and the lack of economic and social opportunity, which pose serious threats to the safety of the region's

citizens. The United States also cooperates with its partners in the region on small business development, trade facilitation, workforce development, and sustainable business practices. Expanding prosperity includes the region's participation in 12 free trade agreements spanning the length of the hemisphere, as well as the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) and the re-commitment to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). The United States also seeks to increase energy security in the region, while focusing on preventing and mitigating climate change. New energy discoveries increasingly place the Americas at the center of the global energy map, and many countries are also developing renewable energy.

Promoting and defending freedom of expression in the Americas is central to advancing U.S. common values. U.S. missions work with governments and civil society to address threats to democracy and human rights, including restrictions on freedom of expression and discrimination or violence. The United States also works to expand educational opportunity to ensure people have the knowledge, skills, and self-reliance they need to compete in a globalized world.

U.S. PUBLIC DIPLOMACY GOALS

The public diplomacy goals for the region are to support the above foreign policy objectives via outreach that explains U.S. policies to foreign publics and develops the foundation for support of U.S. initiatives. Public diplomacy activities also communicate that the United States is a partner in regional growth and prosperity, irrespective of immediate government-to-government relations. They contribute to the positioning of the United States as a partner of choice and a trusted ally by facilitating people-to-people connections.

U.S. public diplomacy in the region is particularly focused on youth outreach, largely through English-language teaching, educational advising, and cultural programs to engage audiences in face-to-face activities. Much of this is done in the 154 American Spaces (libraries, cultural centers, information resource centers) in the region, especially in Binational Centers and through EducationUSA offices. Exchange programs, such as the Fulbright and Humphrey programs, the International Visitor Leadership Program, and American Speaker and Cultural Programs, are effective forms of public diplomacy in the Western Hemisphere.

From 1948 to 2014, 36,462 Fulbright students and scholars from the Western Hemisphere studied in the United States, while 15,164 Americans studied in the region. In 2014, 613 Fulbrighters from the region went to the United States and 601 Americans went to the Western Hemisphere. FY 2014 Open Doors Data reported that the majority of Western Hemisphere students who

come to the United States were from Canada (28,304), followed by Mexico (14,779), Brazil (13,286), Colombia (7,083), Venezuela (7,022), Peru (2,607), Ecuador (2,578), Jamaica (2,502), Chile (2,432), and Argentina (1,902). The Dominican Republic, the Bahamas, Trinidad and Tobago, Honduras, Panama, El Salvador, Guatemala, Costa Rica and Bolivia all had more than 1,000 students in the United States in 2014.

FY14 U.S. PD Spending by Country

Country	Actual Expenditures
Brazil	\$ 8.105 million
Mexico	\$ 5.327 million
Argentina	\$ 3.212 million
Colombia	\$ 3.135 million
Canada	\$ 2.662 million
Venezuela	\$ 2.512 million
Peru	\$ 2.386 million
Chile	\$ 2.232 million
Ecuador	\$1.863 million
Bolivia	\$ 1.844 million
Uruguay	\$ 1.264 million
Panama	\$1.214 million
Guatemala	\$1.121 million
Haiti	\$ 1.203 million
El Salvador	\$1.089 million
Dominican Republic	\$1.077 million
Costa Rica	\$1.056 million
Barbados	\$857,486
Honduras	\$811,741
Paraguay	\$798,539
Nicaragua	\$671,205
Jamaica	\$642,682
Trinidad and Tobago	\$534,360
Cuba	\$456,666
Bahamas	\$241,077
Suriname	\$153,552
Belize	\$119,590
Guyana	\$98,003

U.S. PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

Due to their strategic importance as regional powers and population centers, Brazil and Mexico were the

highest funded public diplomacy missions in the Western Hemisphere in FY 2014, funded at \$8.1 million and \$5.3 million, respectively. Colombia, Argentina, Canada, Venezuela, Peru and Chile ranged from \$3.1 million to \$2.3 million. Ecuador, Bolivia, Uruguay, Panama, Guatemala, Haiti, El Salvador, Dominican Republic and Costa Rica ranged from \$1.8 million to \$1 million. The other 13 countries each received less than \$1 million. The U.S. Interest Section in Havana, which was limited in its engagement with the Cuban people in FY 2014, spent \$456,666.

The majority of public diplomacy spending supported programs that advance culture, sports, and American society; education; and youth engagement. The activities vary by country. The most common program spending categories were for locally planned and managed activities to promote mission priorities. American Spaces, digital outreach, social media and press activities all were less significant, but fairly common, funding labels across the region. The smallest amount of spending went toward audience research and public opinion polling, in addition to books and publications. The large mix of program spending by strategy and activity may mean that individual posts were not spending on certain categories or that the data collection tool is flawed and there is not a consistent definition of the categories in the Mission Activity Tracker (MAT).

U.S. PUBLIC DIPLOMACY IN CUBA

Public diplomacy in Cuba focuses on promoting the free flow of information from, to and within Cuba, including Internet freedom and freedom of the press. In December 2014, President Obama outlined his vision for a new direction in U.S.-Cuba relations, including restoring diplomatic relations and designating a U.S. embassy in Havana. The new direction is designed to empower the Cuban people through engagement. In FY 2014, the then-U.S. Interest Section in Havana (USINT) spent \$456,666 on public diplomacy programs, which was divided between six core strategic goals of promoting democracy (17 percent); civil society (19.33 percent); education (17.673 percent); culture, sports, and American society (17 percent); human rights (15.61 percent); and diversity (10.7 percent). The new Embassy Havana focuses on programs and outreach that improve perceptions of the United States, especially among youth via social and traditional media and exchange programs. It also informs the public through outreach activities on consular issues such as visas and immigration, and supports academic exchanges, English language teaching and activities at the Information Resource Center.

PD officers in Cuba continue to build capacity among independent librarians and independent journalists to facilitate development of community programs and media activities, while providing a platform for dialogue among civil society groups. Public diplomacy engagements on artistic and academic exchanges, and Cuban participation in International Visitor Leadership

Programs, are currently tolerated. Although there is growing communication with the Cuban government the government still scrutinizes U.S. motives and activities, in addition to the Cubans who participate in them. The Cuban government is open to collaborating with U.S. NGOs or U.S. visitors hosted by Cuban quasi-NGOs. Visiting Americans' schedules are tightly controlled by the Cuban government, and Embassy Havana offers briefings for those groups on U.S.-Cuban relations. The State Department has proposed greater academic and scientific exchanges with the government of Cuba. For FY 2015, the public diplomacy budget for U.S. embassy in Havana will increase, in support of U.S. policy priorities on the island.

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SAMPLE PROGRAMS

Social inclusion and racial equality: Both are critical to democratic stability and economic opportunity, and PD programs highlight U.S. models (good and bad), while expanding the capability of the most vulnerable to contribute to their societies. WHA leverages PD resources, including educational exchanges and speaker programs, IVLP, Professional Fellows, Study of the U.S. Institutes for Students, and the Arts and Sports Envoys, to engage African Descendant, Indigenous, and other marginalized communities across the hemisphere. The College Horizons Outreach Program continues to promote social inclusion and increase access to higher education for African descendant and indigenous high school students through diverse English teaching, academic advising, and mentoring in a culturally supportive environment. PD is also an important part of the only two bilateral agreements on racial equality in the world—the U.S.-Brazil and U.S.-Colombia Action Plans on Racial and Ethnic Equality. Building on the 2015 U.N.-designated International Decade for People of African Descent, WHA posts are using U.S. speakers, IVLPs, academic exchange, film and cultural programs, and press and social media outreach to support the initiative.

100,000 Strong in the Americas: The program was launched by President Obama in 2011 to help build a stronger 21st century workforce, enhance competitiveness, and expand engagement in the Western Hemisphere. The goal is to increase the number of U.S. students studying in the Western Hemisphere to 100,000, and the number of students from Latin America, the Caribbean, and Canada studying in the United States to 100,000, by the year 2020. Through a public-private partnership with NAFSA: Association of International Educators and Partners of the Americas, the State Department established the 100,000 Strong Innovation Fund, supported by private sector contributions, which makes competitive grants to form partnerships with United States and regional universities to build capacity for study abroad programs. As of April 2015, 48 grants had been awarded to 116 teams of regional higher education institutions (HEI) from 16 countries. According to the Open Doors Report, since the launch of 100,000 Strong, the number of U.S. students studying abroad in Latin America and the Caribbean has increased 12 percent (to 45,473) and the number of students from Latin America and the Caribbean studying in the United States has grown by 13 percent (to 72,318). There has been no corresponding increase in State Department funds for EducationUSA or English-language instruction at Western Hemisphere posts to support students who want to study in the United States.

Youth Ambassadors: The State Department's flagship youth exchange in the Western Hemisphere. Begun by the Public Affairs Section in Brazil in 2002, the program, now centrally administered by ECA, sends outstanding underprivileged high school students to the United States for a three-week program of study, home stays, community service, and travel. The program brings together more than 400 high school students and adult mentors from 25 countries across the Americas each year to promote mutual understanding, increase leadership skills, and prepare youth to make a difference in their communities. The three-week exchanges are focused on civic education, community service, and youth leadership development.

Young Leaders of the Americas Initiative (YLAI):

Launched by President Obama in 2015, seeks to expand ties between emerging entrepreneurs and civil society activists in Latin America and the Caribbean with U.S. counterparts to support economic growth and social inclusion. The Office of Press and Public Diplomacy in the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs is leading a first year pilot program that focuses on expanding opportunities for emerging business and social entrepreneurs from the technology sector. YLAI complement the 100,000 Strong in the Americas presidential initiative, which aims to increase international study, cooperation, and prosperity in the Western Hemisphere through improved educational opportunities. The YLAI pilot program will total approximately three weeks in the United States, with workshops, immersion at an incubator, accelerator, non-governmental, or civil society organization; and a summit to facilitate mentoring, networking, and investment opportunities. The scale-up program is being developed by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs' (ECA) Professional Fellows Division and, pending approval of an approximate \$5 million FY16 ECE budget request, will support a four-week program for 250 participants, at an approximate cost of \$15,000 per Fellow.

International Broadcasting in the Western Hemisphere

The BBG has three services in the Western Hemisphere: Voice of America's (VOA) Spanish Service, Voice of America's Creole Service, and the Office of Cuba Broadcasting (OCB). VOA spent \$4.266 million on programming for the entire region in FY 2014 and OCB spent \$26.706 million with program delivery for Radio/TV Martí. The services reach audiences via radio, television, the Internet and social media. The Spanish Service employs a "U.S. bureau" strategy that supplies content and news to affiliates from Mexico to Chile, which look to VOA's reporting on the United States, the region, and the world.

OCB RADIO/TELEVISION MARTI (CUBA)

FY 2014 \$9.446 million (\$26.706 million with program delivery)

Origin: 1985

Delivery Method: Radio (MW, SW), Television, Website and Mobile Site, Social Media, DVDs and Flash Drives **Radio Original Programming:** 107 hours/week

Radio Total Broadcast: 107 hours/week

Television Original Programming: 12 hours/week

Television Total Broadcast: 12 hours/week

Radio and TV Martí offer multiple channels of access to uncensored information and entertainment from within Cuba and from the United States, Latin America, and the world. Under the Martí brand and its video, audio and online products and services, the Office of Cuba Broadcasting seeks to offer information not otherwise easily available to Cubans, and to help empower them to participate in the exchange of information and perspectives. The programming is based out of OCB's offices in Miami. OCB has been able to begin hiring Cuban journalists inside Cuba and has assembled a large network of journalists inside the country who file via the Internet, SMS, and phone. OCB estimates that SMS messages and email distributions reach one million Cubans, which makes up almost 10 percent of the country's 11.7 million population. The Martís' website, martinoticias.com, receives an average of 69,000 visits per week, though BBG cannot determine with certainty how many of these visitors come from the island. Nearly half of its Twitter followers are in Cuban communities outside of Cuba, with 31.1 percent following from the United States, 18.8 percent from Venezuela, and 8.8 percent from Cuba, although the Internet penetration rate in Cuba is less than 5 percent. The Cuban government jams TV and Radio Marti, though a recent Washington Post/Univision Noticias/Fusion poll found that 20 percent of its sample had listened to Radio Marti in the seven days prior to the interview. BBG cannot conduct research in Cuba, so there is no definitive answer as to how many Cubans receive the radio or television signals. Sample programs include: "In Your Own Words," which features interviews with Cuban

dissident leaders; and "From Inside," which highlights reports from Cuban journalists.

VOA SPANISH SERVICE

FY 2014 \$3.027 million with program delivery

Origin: 1979

Delivery Method: Radio, Television, Website and Mobile Site, Social Media

Radio Original Broadcasting: 45.14 hours/week

Radio Total Broadcasting: 50.14 hours/week [Does not include FY15 reductions]

Television Original Programming: 8.5 hours/week

Television Total Broadcasting: 28.5 hours/week [Does not include FY15 reductions]

VOA Spanish targets audiences in the 19 Spanish-speaking countries of Latin America. VOA Spanish research shows it has a measured weekly reach of 28.3 million people primarily through its affiliate network. The service's "U.S. bureau" strategy focuses on partnering with stations that are interested in receiving news about the United States and delivers content via radio, television, and new media that focuses on U.S. and international news. Programming also highlights U.S. culture with entertainment and sports news, in addition to music programs. In addition to full television and radio programs, the service produces numerous complete television and radio packages each day for use by affiliate stations' newscasts. The service also participates live in leading affiliate radio and television stations' news and informational programming. The Voanoticias.com website features news, sports, technology, health, science, and entertainment, and focuses on social media content via Twitter, Facebook and YouTube. Sample programs include El Mundo al Día, Foro Interamericano, Buenos Días América, "Top Ten USA," and Informativos.

VOA CREOLE SERVICE (HAITI)

FY 2014 \$1.199 million (\$1.199 million with program delivery)

Origin: 1987

Delivery Method: Radio, Website and Mobile Site, Social

Radio Original Programming: 17 hours/week **Radio Total Broadcasting:** 17 hours/week

The VOA Creole Service is targeted toward Haiti and provides 17 hours a week of radio programming to local affiliates, offering news and programs about Haiti, the United States, and the world, including U.S.-Haiti relations. VOA Creole research finds it has a measured weekly reach of 23 percent of the population.

COUNTRY PROFILES

WESTERN HEMISPHERE REGION COUNTRY BY COUNTRY PROFILES

Argentina

DEMOGRAPHICS

 Geographic area (sq. km.):
 2736690

 Population:
 41803125

 Below 24 yrs. old:
 40.60%

 Refugee population:
 3362

 Urban population:
 92%

 GDP/capita:
 \$12,922

 Unemployment:
 8%

 Below poverty line:
 30% (2010)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 59.9 Mobile phones/100 people: 163

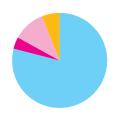
Literacy: (2012) 98% (F: 98%, M:98%) Avg. years of education: 17 (F: 18, M: 16)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$2,581,066 FY14 ACTUAL: \$3,211,653 FY15 PLANNED: \$2,858,500

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity American Spaces (not centers)

Support for English Language	\$421,277
Teaching/Learning	
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$401,157
Post-Generated Exchanges	\$363,000
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$286,101

\$703.382

Bahamas, The

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 10010
Population: 382571
Below 24 yrs. old: 40.60%
Refugee population: 15
Urban population: 83%
GDP/capita: \$22,246
Unemployment: 14%
Below poverty line: 9% (2010)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Free Internet users/100 people: 72 Mobile phones/100 people: 76 Literacy: (No Data)

Literacy: (No Data)

Avg. years of education:

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$237,293 FY14 ACTUAL: \$241,077 FY15 PLANNED: \$226,300

Total PD Spending by Theme



Other	\$91,369
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$40,865
Media/Press Activities	\$35,142
American Spaces (not centers)	\$12,157
Speaker Programs (Post Generated)	\$11.803





Barbados

Below poverty line:

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 430 Population: 286066 Below 24 yrs. old: 32.00% Refugee population: 1 Urban population: 32% GDP/capita: \$15,199 Unemployment: 12%

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Free Internet users/100 people: 75 Mobile phones/100 people: 108

Literacy: (No Data)

Avg. years of education: 15 (F: 17, M: 14)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

NA% ()

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: **\$580,882** FY14 ACTUAL: **\$857,486** FY15 PLANNED: **\$620,500**

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Other	\$392,567
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$154,867
Speaker Programs (Post Generated)	\$104,709
Media/Press Activities	\$36,068
Digital Outreach	\$34,337

Belize

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 22810 Population: 339758 Below 24 yrs. old: 56.30% Refugee population: 21 Urban population: 44% GDP/capita: \$4.894 15% Unemployment: 41% (2013) Below poverty line:

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

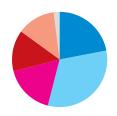
FH Media Freedom: Free Internet users/100 people: 31.7 Mobile phones/100 people: 53

Literacy: (1991) 70% (F: 70%, M:70%) Avg. years of education: 14 (F: 14, M: 13)

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

FY14 ACTUAL: **\$119,590** FY15 PLANNED: **\$98,600 TOTALS** FY13 ACTUAL: **\$94,917**

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

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Supplementing ECA Programs	\$35,705
Other	\$27,185
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$17,599
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$17,167
Supplementing Bureau of Public Affairs	\$9,984



Programs





Bolivia

DEMOGRAPHICS

 Geographic area (sq. km.):
 1083300

 Population:
 10847664

 Below 24 yrs. old:
 53.10%

 Refugee population:
 748

 Urban population:
 68%

 GDP/capita:
 \$3,151

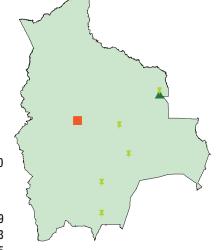
 Unemployment:
 3%

 Below poverty line:
 45% (2011)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 39.5
Mobile phones/100 people: 98

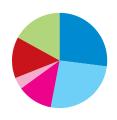
Literacy: (2012) 94% (F: 92%, M:97%) Avg. years of education: 13 (F: 13, M: 13)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$1,657,800 FY14 ACTUAL: \$1,843,782 FY15 PLANNED: \$1,587,200

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Media/Press Activities	\$441,129
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$211,393
American Spaces (not centers)	\$201,425
Support for English Language	\$177,667
Teaching/Learning	
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$135,494

Brazil

DEMOGRAPHICS

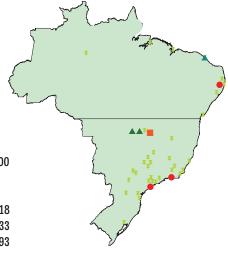
Geographic area (sq. km.): 8358140
Population: 202033670
Below 24 yrs. old: 40.30%
Refugee population: 5196
Urban population: 85%
GDP/capita: \$11,613
Unemployment: 6%
Below poverty line: 21% (2009)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free
Internet users/100 people: 51.6
Mobile phones/100 people: 135

Literacy: (2012) 91% (F: 92%, M:91%)

Avg. years of education:



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$7,656,696 FY14 ACTUAL: \$8,104,820 FY15 PLANNED: \$6,458,400

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Speaker Programs (Post Generated)

American Spaces (not centers)	\$1,516,118
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$1,467,233
Educational Initiatives (not including	\$1,422,293
English Language programs)	
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$728.982

\$487,372





Canada

Below poverty line:

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 9093510 Population: 35540419 28.20% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: 160349 Urban population: 82% GDP/capita: \$50,271 Unemployment: 7%

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Free Internet users/100 people: 85.8 Mobile phones/100 people: 81

Literacy: (No Data)

Avg. years of education: 16 (F: 16, M: 15)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

9% (2008)

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$2,581,058 FY14 ACTUAL: \$2,661,513 FY15 PLANNED: \$2,604,500

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Support for Mission Initiatives	\$556,337
Media/Press Activities	\$356,543
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$320,680
Digital Outreach	\$305,802
Speaker Programs (Post Generated)	\$195,551

Chile

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 743532 Population: 17772871 37.00% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: 1743 Urban population: 89% GDP/capita: \$14.520 Unemployment: 6% Below poverty line: **15%** (2009)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 66.5 Mobile phones/100 people: 134

Literacy: (2009) 99% (F: 98%, M:99%) Avg. years of education: 15 (F: 16, M: 15)

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$2,236,731 FY14 ACTUAL: \$2,232,149 FY15 PLANNED: \$1,784,600

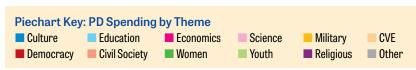
Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Speaker Programs (Post Generated)

American Spaces (not centers)	\$508,820
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$328,796
Educational Initiatives (not including	\$260,624
English Language programs)	
Other	\$200,924







\$156,628

Colombia

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 1109500 Population: 48929706 43.30% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: 224 Urban population: 76% GDP/capita: \$7,720 Unemployment: 11% Below poverty line: 33% (2012)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

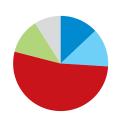
FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 51.7 Mobile phones/100 people: 104

Literacy: (2011) 94% (F: 94%, M:93%) Avg. years of education: 13 (F: 14, M: 13)

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

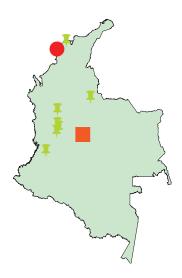
TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$2,812,655 FY14 ACTUAL: \$3,134,709 FY15 PLANNED: \$2,590,400

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Other	\$1,750,860
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$351,071
Digital Outreach	\$169,397
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$146,484
Speaker Programs (Post Generated)	\$120,842



Costa Rica

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 51060 Population: 4937755 Below 24 yrs. old: 41.00% Refugee population: 20569 Urban population: 76% GDP/capita: \$10.035 Unemployment: 8% Below poverty line: **25%** (2011)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Free Internet users/100 people: 45.96 Mobile phones/100 people: 146

Literacy: (2011) 97% (F: 98%, M:97%)

Avg. years of education: 14 (F: 14, M: 13)

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

FY14 ACTUAL: \$1,056,418 FY15 PLANNED: \$994,700 **TOTALS** FY13 ACTUAL: **\$948,500**

Total PD Spending by Theme

Top Spending by Activity

Support for Mission Initiatives \$231.052 Educational Initiatives (not including \$159,771 English Language programs) Cultural Programs (Post Generated) \$145,667 Support for English Language \$136,851

Teaching/Learning

American Spaces (not centers) \$129,658

Map Key Embassy Consulate American Space

Piechart Key: PD Spending by Theme

Culture Democracy

Education Civil Society Economics Women

Science Youth

Military Religious

CVE Other

Cuba

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 106440 Population: 11258597 29.90% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: 384 Urban population: 77% GDP/capita: \$6,848 Unemployment: 3% Below poverty line: N/A

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Not Free Internet users/100 people: 25.70893209

Mobile phones/100 people: 18

Literacy: (2012) 100% (F: 100%, M:100%)

Avg. years of education: 15 (F: 15, M: 14)

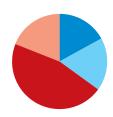


PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: **\$413,870** FY14 ACTUAL: **\$456,666** FY15 PLANNED: **\$427,900**

Other

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Othor	400,011
Support for Foreign Assistance	\$61,115
Programs	
Support for Information Resource	\$58,920
Centers	
Digital Outreach	\$48,720
Media/Press Activities	\$38,799

\$65.511

Dominican Republic

DEMOGRAPHICS

Population: 10528954 46.50% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: 721 Urban population: 78% GDP/capita: \$6.076 15% Unemployment: Below poverty line: 41% (2013)

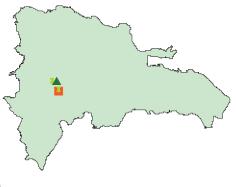
Geographic area (sq. km.): 48320

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 45.9 Mobile phones/100 people: 88

Literacy: (2013) 91% (F: 91%, M:90%)

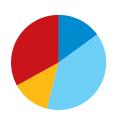
Avg. years of education:



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$1,113,932 FY14 ACTUAL: \$1,076,882 FY15 PLANNED: \$1,095,500

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Support for English Language	\$330,569
Teaching/Learning	
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$270,804
Media/Press Activities	\$120,090
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$114,840
Educational Initiatives (not including	\$59,254
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English Language programs)





Ecuador

DEMOGRAPHICS

 Geographic area (sq. km.): 248360

 Population: 15982551

 Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: Urban population: Urban population: GDP/capita: \$6,291

Unemployment: 4%
Below poverty line: 26% (2013)

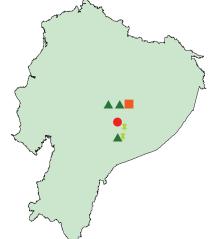
COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: **Not Free**Internet users/100 people: **40.35368423**

Mobile phones/100 people: 111

Literacy: (2013) 93% (F: 92%, M:94%)

Avg. years of education:



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$1,600,929 FY14 ACTUAL: \$1,863,184 FY15 PLANNED: \$1,644,100

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Support for English Language	\$478,042
Teaching/Learning	
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$306,161
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$174,365
American Spaces (not centers)	\$168,636
Media/Press Activities	\$163,191

El Salvador

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 20720
Population: 6383752
Below 24 yrs. old: 48.90%
Refugee population: 44
Urban population: 66%
GDP/capita: \$3,951
Unemployment: 6%
Below poverty line: 37% (2010)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free
Internet users/100 people: 23.1093
Mobile phones/100 people: 136

Literacy: (2011) **85%** (F: **83%**, M:**88%**) Avg. years of education: **12** (F: **12**, M: **12**)



TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: N/A FY14 ACTUAL: \$1,088,886 FY15 PLANNED: \$896,500

Total PD Spending by Theme

Top Spending by Activity

Media/Press Activities\$252,836Support for English Language\$172,019

Teaching/Learning

Support for Mission Initiatives \$146,490 Educational Initiatives (not including \$144,499

English Language programs)

American Spaces (not centers) \$103,029





Guatemala

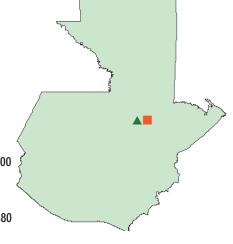
DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 107160 Population: 15859714 58.30% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: 160 Urban population: 51% GDP/capita: \$3,703 Unemployment: 3% Below poverty line: **54%** (2011)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 19.7 Mobile phones/100 people: 140

Literacy: (2012) 78% (F: 72%, M:85%) Avg. years of education: 11 (F: 10, M: 11)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$1,004,161 FY14 ACTUAL: \$1,121,305 FY15 PLANNED: \$1,007,700

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Support for English Language	\$226,880
Teaching/Learning	
Alumni Outreach	\$159,527
Digital Outreach	\$158,442
Media/Press Activities	\$121,288
Supplementing ECA Programs	\$94,199

Guyana

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 196850 Population: 803677 Below 24 yrs. old: 50.00% Refugee population: 11 Urban population: 28% GDP/capita: \$4.017 11% Unemployment: Below poverty line: 35% (2006)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 33 Mobile phones/100 people: 69

Literacy: (2009) 85% (F: 87%, M:82%) 10 (F: 11, M: 9) Avg. years of education:

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

FY15 PLANNED: \$94,100 TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$90,306 FY14 ACTUAL: **\$98,003**

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Support for Mission Initiatives	\$ 47,732
Supplementing ECA Programs	\$21,494
Educational Initiatives (not including	\$4,910
English Language programs)	
Books & Publications	\$4,791
Educational Advising & Promoting	\$3,256



Study in the U.S.





Haiti

DEMOGRAPHICS

Below poverty line:

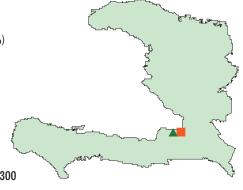
Geographic area (sq. km.): 27560 Population: 10461409 55.60% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: Urban population: 57% GDP/capita: \$833 Unemployment: 7%

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 10.6 Mobile phones/100 people: 69

Literacy: (2006) 49% (F: 45%, M:53%)

Avg. years of education:



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

59% (2012)

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$1,207,993 FY14 ACTUAL: \$1,203,305 FY15 PLANNED: \$1,247,300

Total PD Spending by Theme

Top Spending by Activity

Other	\$735,960
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$173,449
Media/Press Activities	\$63,131
Digital Outreach	\$43,976
Educational Initiatives (not including	\$38,251

English Language programs)

Honduras

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 111890 Population: 8260749 Below 24 yrs. old: 56.00% Refugee population: 16 54% Urban population: GDP/capita: \$2.347 Unemployment: 4% Below poverty line: **60%** (2010)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Not Free Internet users/100 people: 17.8 Mobile phones/100 people: 96

Literacy: (2012) 85% (F: 85%, M:86%) Avg. years of education: 11 (F: 12, M: 11)

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

FY14 ACTUAL: **\$811,741** FY15 PLANNED: **\$724,800 TOTALS** FY13 ACTUAL: **\$771,258**

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Supplementing ECA Programs

Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$199,601
American Spaces (not centers)	\$150,731
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$103,521
Support for English Language	\$70,282
Teaching/Learning	

\$51.420

Piechart Key: PD Spending by Theme Education Economics CVE Science Military Civil Society Women Youth Religious Other



Culture

Democracy

Jamaica

DEMOGRAPHICS

Population: 2721252 Below 24 yrs. old: 50.10% Refugee population: 21 Urban population: 55% GDP/capita: \$5,290 Unemployment: 15% Below poverty line: **17%** (2009)

Geographic area (sq. km.): 10830

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Free Internet users/100 people: 37.8 Mobile phones/100 people: 102

Literacy: (2012) 87% (F: 92%, M:83%) Avg. years of education: 12 (F: 12, M: 12)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: **\$809,045** FY14 ACTUAL: **\$642,683** FY15 PLANNED: **\$881,600**

Total PD Spending by Theme

Top Spending by Activity

Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$118,477
Other	\$79,899
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$75,092
Digital Outreach	\$71,160
Support for Foreign Assistance	\$55,556

Programs

Mexico

DEMOGRAPHICS

Population: 123799215 Below 24 yrs. old: 46.00% Refugee population: 1831 Urban population: 79% GDP/capita: \$10.361 Unemployment: 5% Below poverty line: 52% (2012)

Geographic area (sq. km.): 1943950

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Not Free Internet users/100 people: 43.46 Mobile phones/100 people: 86

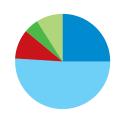
Literacy: (2012) 94% (F: 93%, M:95%) 13 (F: 13, M: 13) Avg. years of education:



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$4,910,983 FY14 ACTUAL: \$5,327,226 FY15 PLANNED: \$4,873,700

Total PD Spending by Theme



Post-Generated Exchanges	\$861,615
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$760,957
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$514,581
Media/Press Activities	\$464,578
Digital Outreach	\$430,293





Nicaragua

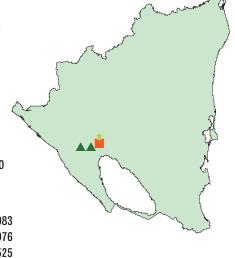
DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 120340
Population: 6169269
Below 24 yrs. old: 51.70%
Refugee population: 189
Urban population: 58%
GDP/capita: \$1,914
Unemployment: 7%
Below poverty line: 43% (2009)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 15.5
Mobile phones/100 people: 112

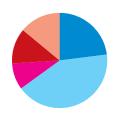
Literacy: (2005) 78% (F: 78%, M:78%) Avg. years of education: 11 (F: 11, M: 10)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$715,438 FY14 ACTUAL: \$671,205 FY15 PLANNED: \$571,300

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Other	\$417,083
Media/Press Activities	\$55,076
American Spaces (not centers)	\$33,525
Support for English Language	\$27,508
Teaching/Learning	
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$21,963

Panama

DEMOGRAPHICS

 Population:
 3926017

 Below 24 yrs. old:
 44.70%

 Refugee population:
 17665

 Urban population:
 66%

 GDP/capita:
 \$11,771

 Unemployment:
 4%

 Below poverty line:
 26% (2012)

Geographic area (sq. km.): 74340

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 42.9 Mobile phones/100 people: 163

Literacy: (2010) 94% (F: 93%, M:95%) Avg. years of education: 12 (F: 13, M: 12)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$1,049,613 FY14 ACTUAL: \$1,214,403 FY15 PLANNED: \$1,109,200

Total PD Spending by Theme



\$323,735
\$246,168
\$237,814
\$93,310
\$73,246





Paraguay

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 397300 Population: 6917579 46.70% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: 136 Urban population: 59% GDP/capita: \$4,479 Unemployment: 5% Below poverty line: **35%** (2010)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 36.9 Mobile phones/100 people: 104

Literacy: (2010) 94% (F: 93%, M:95%) Avg. years of education: 13 (F: 13, M: 12)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$702,834 FY14 ACTUAL: **\$798,539** FY15 PLANNED: **\$681,100**

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Media/Press Activities	\$129,842
American Spaces (not centers)	\$124,451
Support for English Language	\$96,843
Teaching/Learning	
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$95,641
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$89,669

Peru

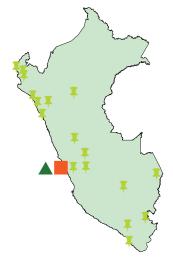
DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 1280000 Population: 30769077 Below 24 yrs. old: 46.50% Refugee population: 1162 Urban population: 78% GDP/capita: \$6.594 4% Unemployment: Below poverty line: **26%** (2012)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Partly Free Internet users/100 people: 39.2 Mobile phones/100 people: 98

Literacy: (2012) 94% (F: 91%, M:97%) Avg. years of education: 13 (F: 13, M: 13)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$2,203,751 FY14 ACTUAL: \$2,385,802 FY15 PLANNED: \$2,401,600

Total PD Spending by Theme



Support for Mission Initiatives	\$575,124
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$450,577
American Spaces (not centers)	\$295,173
Support for English Language	\$220,436
Teaching/Learning	
Media/Press Activities	\$198,554





Suriname

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 156000 Population: 543925 43.80% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population:

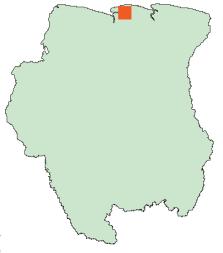
Urban population: GDP/capita: \$9,826

Unemployment: 8% Below poverty line: 70% (2002)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Free Internet users/100 people: 37.4 Mobile phones/100 people: 161

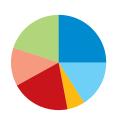
Literacy: (2010) 95% (F: 94%, M:95%) Avg. years of education: 12 (F: 13, M: 11)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: **\$119,009** FY14 ACTUAL: **\$153,552** FY15 PLANNED: **\$121,600**

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Support for Mission Initiatives	\$54,994
Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$36,535
Other	\$17,201
Speaker Programs (Post Generated)	\$14,283
American Spaces (not centers)	\$9,876

Trinidad and Tobago

DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 5130 Population: 1344235 32.40% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: 20 Urban population: GDP/capita: \$18.219 Unemployment: Below poverty line: **17%** (2007)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Free Internet users/100 people: 63.8 Mobile phones/100 people: 145

Literacy: (2012) 99% (F: 98%, M:99%) Avg. years of education: 12 (F: 13, M: 12)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$506,894 FY14 ACTUAL: **\$534,360** FY15 PLANNED: **\$560,800**

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Other	\$283,354
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$47,292
Educational Advising & Promoting	\$41,989
Study in the U.S.	

Supplementing Bureau of Public Affairs \$34,877

Programs

Supplementing IIP Programs \$29,220





Uruguay

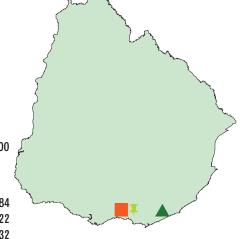
DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 175020 3418694 Population: 37.00% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: 203 Urban population: 95% GDP/capita: \$16,811 Unemployment: 7% Below poverty line: **19%** (2010)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Free Internet users/100 people: 58.1 Mobile phones/100 people: 155

Literacy: (2012) 98% (F: 99%, M:98%) Avg. years of education: 16 (F: 17, M: 14)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$1,183,900 FY14 ACTUAL: \$1,264,356 FY15 PLANNED: \$1,262,900

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Media/Press Activities \$211,184 Support for Mission Initiatives \$202,222 Cultural Programs (Post Generated) \$105,132 Educational Initiatives (not including \$104,418 English Language programs)

Supplementing ECA Programs \$85.840

Venezuela

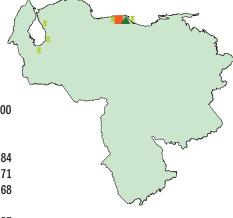
DEMOGRAPHICS

Geographic area (sq. km.): 882050 Population: 30851343 47.00% Below 24 yrs. old: Refugee population: 204340 Urban population: 89% GDP/capita: \$16.530 Unemployment: 8% Below poverty line: 32% (2011)

COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY

FH Media Freedom: Not Free Internet users/100 people: 54.9 Mobile phones/100 people: 102

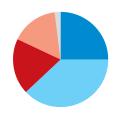
Literacy: (2009) 96% (F: 95%, M:96%) Avg. years of education: 14 (F: 15, M: 13)



PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING

TOTALS FY13 ACTUAL: \$2,509,315 FY14 ACTUAL: \$2,512,414 FY15 PLANNED: \$2,477,200

Total PD Spending by Theme



Top Spending by Activity

Cultural Programs (Post Generated)	\$677,984
Support for Mission Initiatives	\$526,271
Support for English Language	\$435,168
Teaching/Learning	
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\$193,757 Supplementing ECA Programs \$150,238



